

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service****National Preservation Technology and Training Board: Meeting****AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. Appendix (1988), that the National Preservation Technology and Training Board will meet on March 27 and 28, 2001, in Murfreesboro, TN.

The board was established by Congress to provide leadership, policy advice, and professional oversight to the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, as required under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470).

The board will meet in the Bradley Academy Historical and Cultural Center, 415 South Academy Street, Murfreesboro, TN 37130, on Tuesday, March 27, 2001. The meeting will start at 8:30 a.m. and end at approximately noon. Matters to be discussed include officer, committee, university, National Park Service, and center reports, and the status of the grants program.

On Wednesday, March 28, 2001, the meeting will start at 8:30 a.m. and end at or before noon. Matters to be discussed include a review of past accomplishments of the center and a look towards the future of the center and its partners in the preservation community.

This meeting will be open to the public. However, facilities and space for accommodating members of the public are limited and persons will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis. Any member of the public may file a written statement concerning the matters to be discussed with Dr. Neville Agnew, Chair, National Preservation Technology and Training Board, Group Director, Information and Communication, The Getty Conservation Institute, 1200 Getty Center Drive, Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90049-1684.

Persons wishing more information concerning this meeting, or who wish to submit written statements, may do so by contacting Mr. E. Blaine Cliver, Chief, HABS/HAER, National Park Service, 1849 C Street NW-300 NC, Washington, DC 20240, telephone (202) 343-9606. Draft summary minutes of the meeting will be available for public inspection approximately eight weeks after the meeting, at the office of the Manager, National Center for Cultural Resources,

800 North Capitol Street, Suite 350, Washington, DC 20002.

Dated: February 6, 2001.

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Designated Federal Official.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service, Interior****Notice of Intent to Repatriate Cultural Items in the Possession of the Illinois State Museum, Springfield, IL****AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice.

Notice is hereby given under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 43 CFR 10.10 (a)(3), of the intent to repatriate cultural items in the possession of the Illinois State Museum, Springfield, IL, that meet the definition of "sacred object" or "object of cultural patrimony" under Section 2 of the Act.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 43 CFR 10.2 (c). The determinations within this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of these cultural items. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations within this notice.

The two cultural items are a painted wood altar piece and a large cooking pot.

During the 1930's, these cultural items were purchased in the Hopi area of northern Arizona by Edith DeGroat and donated or loaned temporarily to the Huntington Beach Museum, Huntington, CA. In 1966, these cultural items were transferred by the Huntington Beach Museum, at the request of Miss DeGroat, to the Macon County Museum, Decatur, IL. In 2000, the Macon County Museum placed these cultural items in the possession and control of the Illinois State Museum for NAGPRA repatriation.

Based on examination of the altar piece, documentary evidence from the Macon County Museum, and consultation evidence presented by the representatives of the Hopi Tribe of Arizona and the Katsinmomngwit (Katsina Chiefs), this altar piece is a specific ceremonial object needed by

traditional Native American religious leaders for the practice of traditional Native American religions by their present-day adherents.

Based on examination of the cooking pot, documentary evidence from the Macon County Museum, and consultation evidence presented by the representatives of the Hopi Tribe of Arizona and the Katsinmomngwit (Katsina Chiefs), this cooking pot has been identified as having ongoing historical, traditional, and cultural importance central to the tribe itself, and could not have been alienated, appropriated, or conveyed by any individual. It is estimated to be between 150 and 300 years old. It is blackened from use and has several cracks.

Based on the above-mentioned information, officials of the Illinois State Museum have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(3), this altar piece is a specific ceremonial object needed by traditional Native American religious leaders for the practice of traditional Native American religions by their present-day adherents. Officials of the Illinois State Museum also have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(4), this cooking pot has ongoing historical, traditional, and cultural importance central to the tribe itself, and could not have been alienated, appropriated, or conveyed by any individual. Finally, officials of the Illinois State Museum have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (e), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between these items and the Hopi Tribe of Arizona.

This notice has been sent to officials of the Hopi Tribe of Arizona. Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these objects should contact Dr. Jonathan E. Reyman, Research Associate-Anthropology, Illinois State Museum, Research and Collections Center, 1011 East Ash Street, Springfield, IL 62703-3535, telephone (217) 785-0069, before March 23, 2001. Repatriation of these objects to the Hopi Tribe of Arizona may begin after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

Dated: February 2, 2001.

John Robbins,

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